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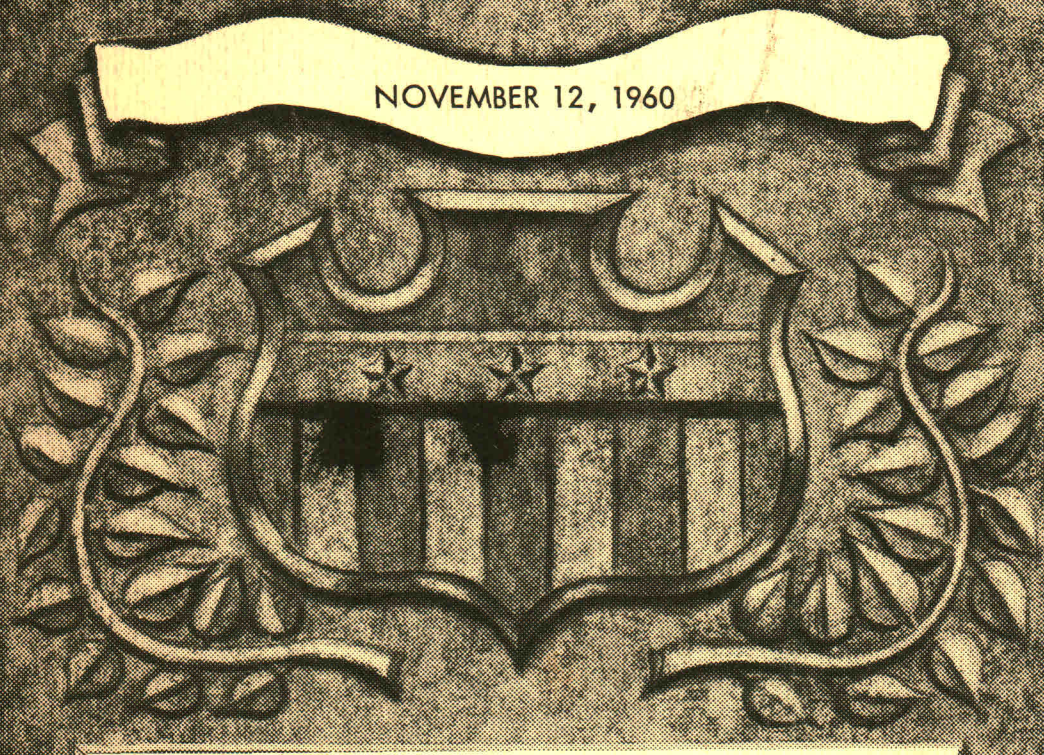

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To encourage active interest in all manifestations and demonstrations of patriotic nature, that the glory and sanctity of American ideals may be forever preserved.

To combat the destructive propaganda of communism and other alien influences endeavoring to weaken or destroy our American Institutions and Democratic form of government:

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Here in Manchester, New Hampshire, one Joseph Dabek, Polish Army Veteran in the month of March 1944, spearheaded the Birth of the Pol-Am Vet Association assisted by Walter Duda and Stanley Sobolewski.

Veterans of World War I and World War II convened in the month of April 5th, 1945, at the P.A.C.C. quarters.

Pol Army Vet Joseph Dabek started meeting 11:40 A.M. in its infancy with Joseph Czernicki, F. Wietecha, Mathew Karp, Stanley Sobolewski, Stanley Laski, Joseph Hendzel, Frank Gruszewski, Frank Hudzik, Walter Duda present.

First Elected Officers were Commander Walter Duda, Senior Vice Commander Joseph Hendzel, Junior Vice Commander Stanley Laski, Adjutant Joseph Dabek, Recording Secretary Stanley Sobolewski, Financial Secretary Frank Hudzik.

As of January 19, 1946, membership grew to ninety six. From there it reached, in the next four years, a membership height of five hundred.

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9. Frank Dziepak	1955	Same
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12. Henry Stefanik	1958	Same
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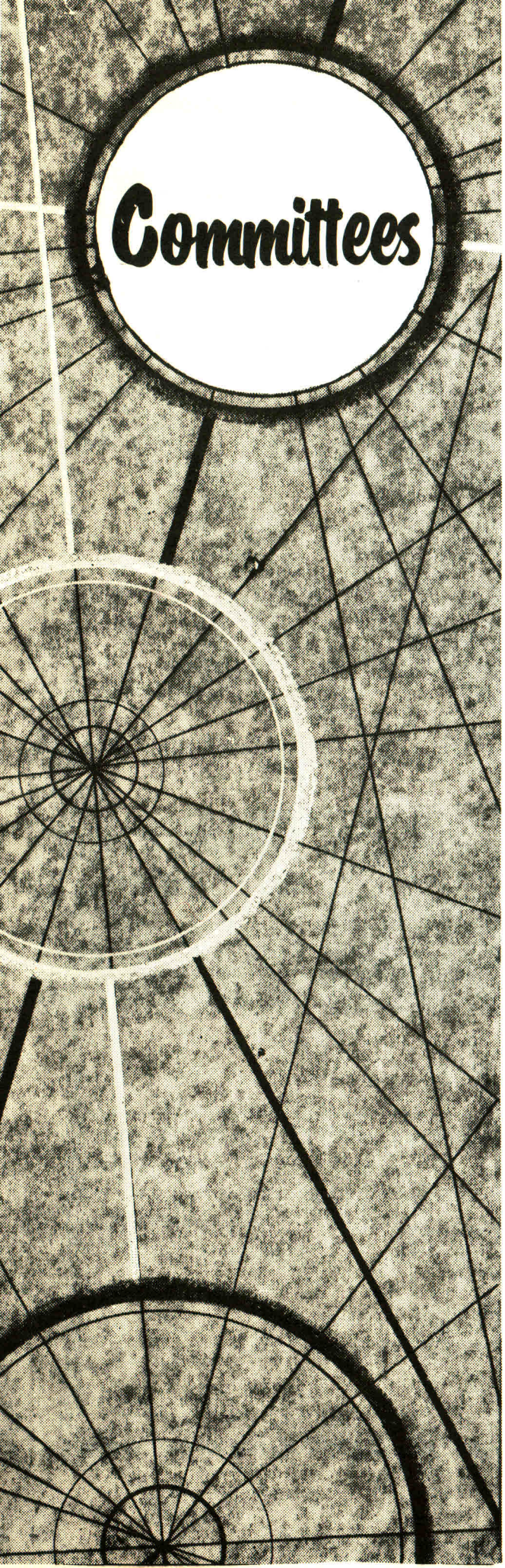

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Józef Dąbek w obecności komendanta Posterunku Feliksa Król przywitał wszystkich zgromadzonych na sali. Po przedstawieniu im celu zgromadzenia i potrzeby zorganizowania Klubu Żeńskiego przy Posterunku Weteranów wszystkie byli za tem ażeby taki klub zorganizować do którego wszystkie się zapiszą. To też udowodniły bo 62 zapisało się na członkinie. Następnie Józef Dąbek poprosił jedną Matkę Złotej Gwiazdy, Panią Maryę Janik do przemówienia. Pani Marya Janik w krótkich ale bardzo rzewnych słowach przemówiła do zgromadzonych za co otrzymała burze oklasków. Dalej przystępiono do wyboru zarządu. Zarząd został wybrany jak następuje:

Prezeska Pani Marya Janik
Wice Prezeska Genowefa Jamroz
Sekr. Protokułowa Emilia Ciechon
Sekr. Finansowa Władysława Kowalewska
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Komitet pracował ciężko tak jak to jest na nowem gospodarstwie, także upiększył kwatery przez uszycie portyerów i firanek, i uchwalono ażeby Złote Matki byli Honorowemi Członkiniami.

Na posiedzeniu 18 go Listopada 1951 roku, uchwalono ażeby członkinie płaciły dolara rocznie.

Na rocznem posiedzeniu 16 Grudnia 1952 roku był wybrany nowy zarząd. Prezeska została Pani Marya Madden która zrezygnowała na przyszłem posiedzeniu i Genowefa Jamroz była obrana prezeska na jej miejsce. Wice Prezeska została Bronisława Dydo; Sekretarka Protokułowa Emilia Krol; Sekretarka Finansowa Henryka Peltak; Kasyerka Adela Poftak. Komitet pracował ciężko przez cały rok; zakupiły naczynia, srebro i elektryczną kawnicę do kuchni.

Na rok 1953 Henryka Pełtak była obrana prezeska który urzad piastowała do 1960 roku; miała wiele dzielnych pracowniczek do pomocy w komitecie któremi byli:

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Gospodarstwo dalej się rozwija z pomocą komitetu. Prezeska zakupiła piec do kuchni który bardzo był potrzebny, rolesy do okien, nowe firanki, gramafon, telewizye i Kociół do ciepłej wody, więcej naczyń do kuchni. 17go Lutego 1954 roku Oddział Kobiet przyłączył się do Legjonu Polskich Amerykańskich Weteranów i otrzymują Charter 7go Listopada 1954 roku. Obowiązkiem jest im odwiedzac Weteranskie szpitale, i zanosić małe podarunki na Święta które zanoszą we formie papierosów, dwa razy rocznie, i cukierków.

Zaczęto mówić o uniformach i na wniosek dany przez Julie Jamroz a poparty przez Antonine Felar zakupiły dwanaście uniformów dla członkin a cztery dla Złotych Matek.

Marca 15go, 1959 roku Prezeska daje do wiadomości że Weterani zamierzają podnieść o assestment roczny na trzy dolary i będzie wypłacony pośmiertny benefit począwszy z 1960 roku.

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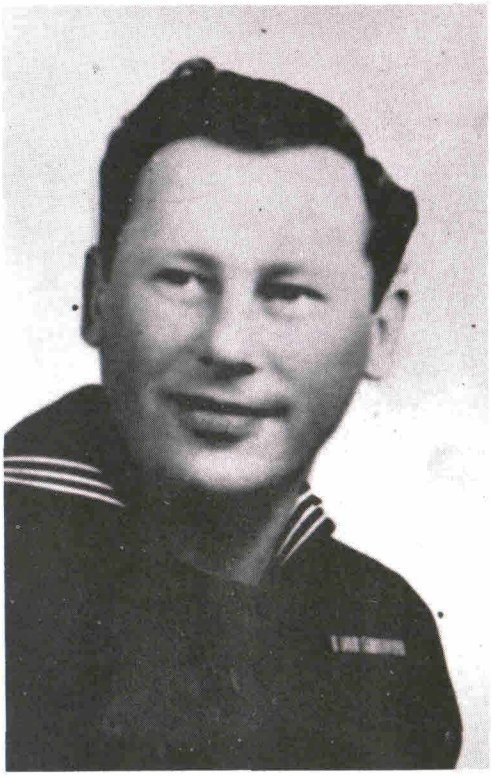

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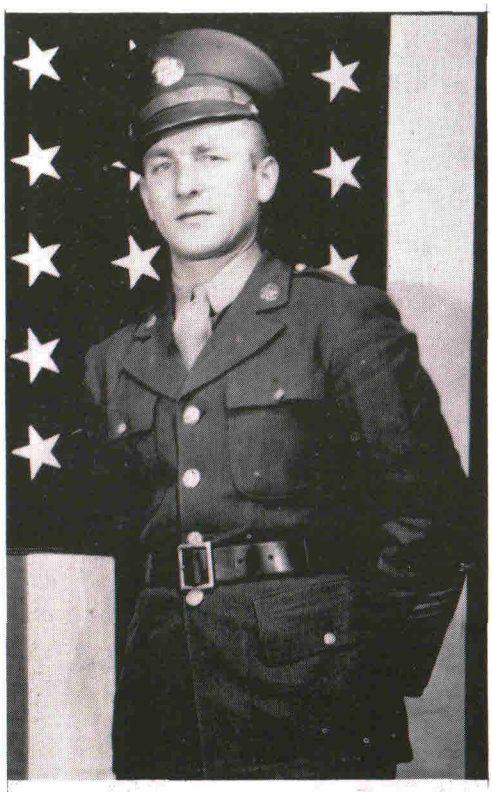

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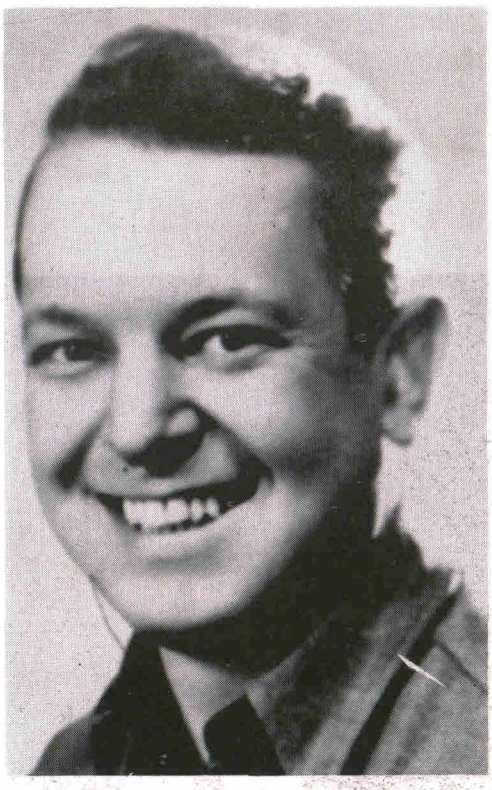

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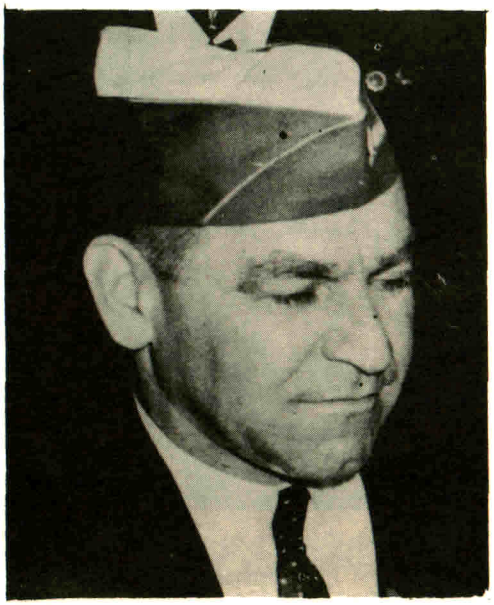

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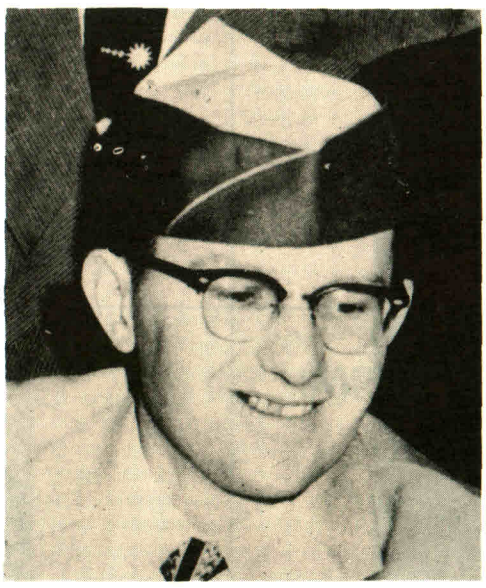

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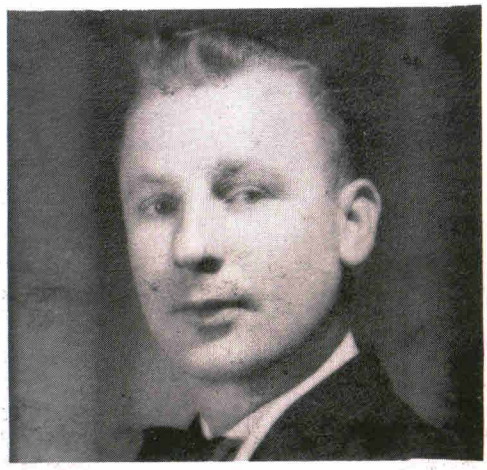

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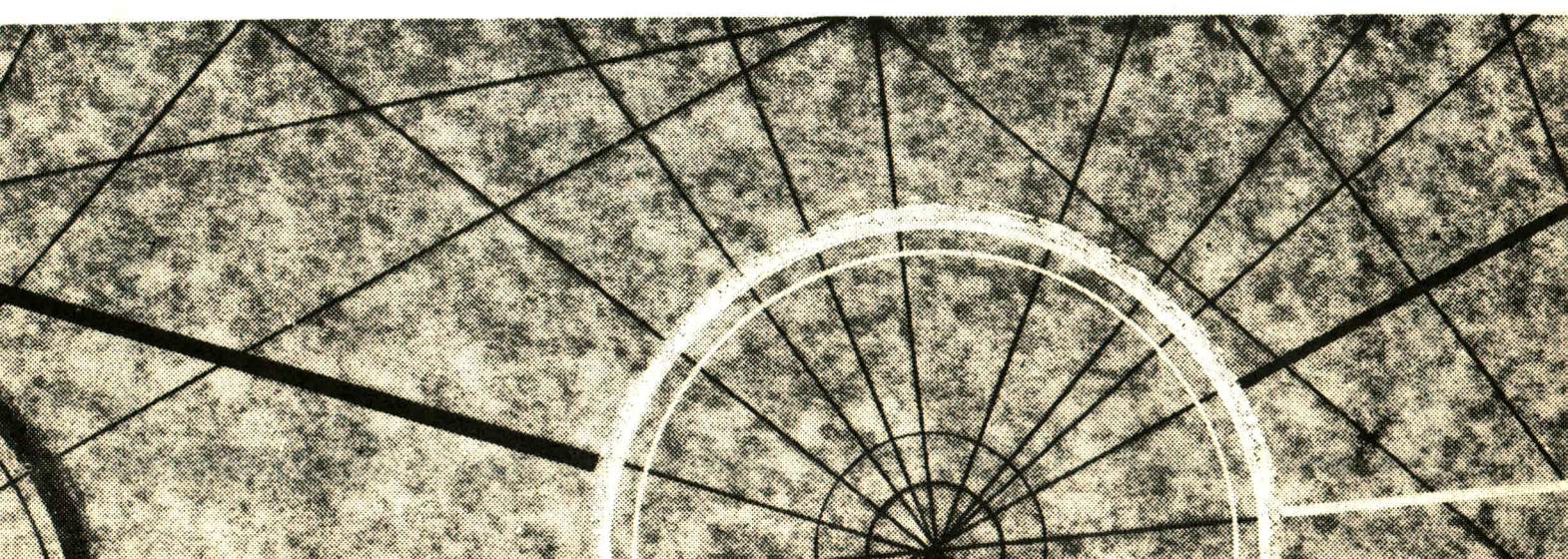
OUR DEAD

Who, coming from every part of our land, answered their country's call, who did not shirk when death awaited; but, with sublime courage, advanced with unfaltering steps against the enemy's most withering fire, or stood with unshaken valor against his murderous onslaughts; who marked with their bodies in a last bivouac the battle-lines of the division they loved, or who perished on beds of pain from wounds and disease; and who sleep in shrines of everlasting honor and inspiration.



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